

FIVE INDICTMENTS AGAINST BROKERS

Grand Jury Takes a Hand in
Bucket Shop Campaign.

SERIOUS CHARGES MADE

Defendants Accused of Maintaining
Gaming Places.

MORE TRUE BILLS COMING

Evidence Already Secured Being
Analyzed as Rapidly as Possible.

Some of the Accusations.

Five proprietors of brokerage offices, said by the police to be "bucket shops," were indicted by the grand jury this morning in three true bills presented to Justice Stafford in the District Supreme Court at 11 o'clock. Those under indictment are:
Thornton Chesley and T. Browning Spence of the firm of Chesley & Spence, with offices in the Colorado building and the Federal building.
Frank Kane of Frank Kane & Co., 1425 F street northwest.
Percy Wade and Jesse H. Hedges of the firm of Wade & Hedges, with an office in the Ouray building.

The indictments charge that defendants "did set up and keep a place for the purpose of gaming," in violation of section 805 of the District code. This section prohibits the setting up of a gaming table and prescribes a sentence of not more than five years in the penitentiary for persons convicted under it.

Assistant United States Attorney Harvey Given, who represented the government when the indictments were presented this morning, stated that more true bills are expected to follow as soon as the evidence can be presented and the indictments prepared. The grand jury is taking up the cases as rapidly as possible.

Must Give New Bonds.

The men who were indicted today are now under bond at the Police Court in the sum of \$1,000 each, and Assistant United States Attorney Given said today that they would be held under those bonds until they could give new ones for their appearance in the Criminal Court when required. It is also announced that the charges filed in the Police Court against the persons indicted today will be nolle prossed.

In each of the three indictments returned today Otto F. Klink, the secret service detective who has been assisting in the crusade, and William B. Hibbs, the local broker, appear as witnesses. Other witnesses who appear in specific cases are Detectives Helen and Grant.

Charges on the Indictments.

In the indictments returned against Chesley & Spence there are three counts. It is alleged, first, that the firm maintained a place for gaming in the Colorado building; second, that this firm set up a gaming table in their place of business in the Colorado building; and third, that they maintained a place for gaming in the Federal building, 7th and F streets northwest. In the indictments against Frank Kane and Wade & Hedges two counts are set out, the first one alleging that the persons named maintained a place for gaming, and the second one alleging that they set up a gaming table.

After Alleging that the defendant set up and kept a place for the purpose of gaming, the indictment continues:

"For such purpose of gaming did engage in and conduct on the day and divers other days aforesaid pretended brokerage business under the name of Wade & Hedges for the making of contracts between them, the said Wade and the said Hedges and other persons, for the pretended buying on commission for such other persons by them, said Wade and said Hedges, as brokers, of shares of the stocks of railroad and other corporations at price to be agreed upon between them, said Wade and said Hedges and such other persons, and being the market prices of such shares of stock on the New York Stock Exchange, at the time and times of such transactions, as such market prices were reported by telegraph to them, said Wade and said Hedges, and by them received from time to time on the day and divers other days aforesaid, at the place and office aforesaid, and with no intention on the part of said Wade and said Hedges and on the part of such pretended buyers in such transactions that they, the said Wade and said Hedges, should deliver or obtain and deliver to such pretended buyers the property so pretended to be contracted for, and with no intention on the part of said Wade and said Hedges and on the part of such pretended buyers in such transactions that such pretended buyers should pay for and receive the property so pretended to be contracted for, but with the understanding between them, the said Wade and said Hedges and such pretended buyers, that such transactions should be merely betting and wagering contracts between them, said Wade and said Hedges and such pretended buyers, upon the fluctuation in and the market prices of the shares of stock so contracted for, that is to say, mere bets and wagers in each instance upon future rises and falls in such market prices, and that under such bets and wagers in case there was such rise such buyers should win, and in case there was such fall the said Wade and said Hedges should win, and that the sums to be paid by them, said Wade and said Hedges, to such pretended buyers in such transactions and in settlements of

such bets and wagers, in case the latter should win, and the sums to be paid by such pretended buyers to them, said Wade and said Hedges, in such transactions, in case said Wade and said Hedges should win, and in settlements of such bets and wagers, should be the difference between the prices of the property as fixed by such pretended contracts of purchase and the market prices thereof at the time of such settlements, and according to such market prices as should be received by them, said Wade and said Hedges, by telegraph through a telegraphic instrument called a ticker, and as recorded and exhibited by them, said Wade and said Hedges, when so received, on a blackboard at said place and office as hereinafter stated."

"Against the Statute."

At the conclusion of the first count the indictments say: "That the said Wade and the said Hedges, for such purposes of gaming by means of the pretended business aforesaid, did on the day and divers other days aforesaid have and maintained at such place and office a blackboard and a telegraphic instrument called a ticker, and through which ticker were received at the place and office aforesaid the market prices of the shares of stock aforesaid, which market prices as so received were recorded by them, said Wade and said Hedges, on said blackboard, and exhibited thereon to such pretended buyers and sellers, and on the day and divers other days aforesaid did make contracts with other persons for the pretended buying and the pretended selling as aforesaid of such shares of stock, and did make bets and wagers with such other persons in the manner aforesaid, and did in many other instances make settlements with such other persons in the manner aforesaid of said bets and wagers, against the statute of the United States."

The second count alleged that the defendants "did set up and keep a gaming table—that is to say, a game device and contrivance adapted, devised and designed for the playing of a game of chance for money, and at which money could be bet and wagered upon future market prices upon the New York Stock Exchange of the shares of stock of railroad and other corporations, as the same should be received by them, said Wade and said Hedges, by telegraph, by means of and through a telegraphic instrument called a ticker, and which said game, device and contrivance is commonly known and called a bucket shop." The indictment then describes the methods of the alleged gaming.

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TWO CENTS.



Bryan on Taft's speech: "It is a straddle of the most important issues."

ADMIRAL DAVIS RETIRES

Reaches the Age Limit Fixed for Active Service.

Rear Admiral Charles H. Davis today retired from the navy on account of having reached the limit of age fixed by law for active service. He entered the navy in 1861 and has seen some interesting service. His last command was the second division of the Atlantic fleet. It was while acting in that capacity that he was detached by Rear Admiral Evans and sent from Guantanamo to Kingston, Jamaica, where he rendered first aid to the city when it suffered from the recent earthquake.

CLEVELAND STAYS HOME.

Will Not Leave Princeton Because of Ill-Health.

NEW YORK, August 28.—Attention has again been attracted to ex-President Grover Cleveland by the announcement from Princeton, N. J., that he had given up all hope of leaving his home there for his customary summer vacation in New Hampshire, because of the state of his health. Mr. Cleveland has been troubled with attacks of acute indigestion for a number of years, and one attack has been more severe than the one that was before. The present attack came as he was about to leave for his summer home. His physicians have prescribed rest and quiet. Mr. Cleveland, therefore, denies himself to visitors, and he has not been seen since his condition shows improvement.

Mrs. Cleveland, who has gone to New Hampshire with the children, returned to Princeton yesterday.

WAS A ROYAL VALET.

Died a Wreck From the Morphine Habit.

CHICAGO, August 28.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Milwaukee, Wis., says: Walter Donisthorpe, alias Wilson, a former valet of King Edward VII, died yesterday at the house of correction. He was sixty-six years of age. He had been in the police cell on the charge of having stolen a coat. He admitted the charge, told the court he was a physical wreck, and asked for a year's imprisonment. His physicians have prescribed rest and quiet. Mr. Cleveland, therefore, denies himself to visitors, and he has not been seen since his condition shows improvement.

WORKERS FOR THE BLIND.

Discussion of Betterment Conditions at Today's Meeting at Boston.

BOSTON, August 28.—The discussion of methods providing for a betterment of the conditions among the blind in various parts of the country, at today's session of the American Association of Workers for the Blind, was centered in the general subject of "organized work for the blind." Representatives of various state commissions and associations devoted to the assistance of the sightless, told of the progress of the work in their states and of the plans and efforts for the future carrying on of their noble efforts.

The delegates taking an important part in the discussion included G. W. Conner, representing the Maryland state commission, and Miss Harriet Rose of Missouri.

This discussion occupied the entire schedule of the morning session and at its conclusion the delegates were asked to choose their procedure during the remainder of the day. Many of them had accepted invitations to inspect the workshops of the Massachusetts commission in Cambridge and incidentally to visit Harvard University.

Boomlet of Esopus.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, August 28.—Ex-Gov. James E. Campbell, who has just returned from New York, brings back the information that Judge Alton B. Parker expects the democratic presidential nomination again next year.

I was at first inclined to regard this as mere talk," said Gov. Campbell, "but later found that it was entirely true."

WANT STILLINGS' SCALP

OYSTER BAY HOPES HIS END IS APPROACHING.

Report That Loeb's Influence Cannot Hold Him in Place Much Longer.

Special Dispatch to The Star.
OYSTER BAY, N. Y., August 28.—The visit here yesterday of Charles A. Stillings, the public printer, and his confession that an effort is being made to oust him from office has started again the rumor that President Roosevelt is to appoint an Oyster Bay man in his place. Early in the summer there was a rumor to the effect that the President was dissatisfied with the work Mr. Stillings had been doing and that he would be removed to make place for Albert L. Cheney, the editor of the Oyster Bay Pilot. Mr. Cheney is a personal friend of the President, and his friends have been working hard to get the job for him.

Could Not See Roosevelt.

He was disappointed, however, and had to return with encouragement only from Secretary Loeb. It was Mr. Loeb who secured Mr. Stillings his place, but it is understood that the secretary cannot hold him much longer. The President refused to see Mr. Stillings when he heard he was in town, and the public printer departed in ill humor. What are called the eccentricities of Mr. Stillings in the conduct of his office were first called to the President's attention by union labor men. They complained against several of his acts, and the President promised to investigate.

Has a Local Candidate.

Oyster Bay, despite the fact that it is the home of the President, has not been particularly fortunate in securing presidential favor in the way of appointments. Less than half a dozen citizens have secured government places, and only minor ones at that. The delegation of the town's business men, it is said, will wait on the President and press Editor Cheney's claims to the office of public printer.

FIVE HURT IN COLLISION.

Railroad Motor Cycle Crashed Into Auto at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., August 28.—In a collision last night between a railroad motor cycle and a carriage containing five persons at the Michigan avenue crossing of the Iron Mountain tracks all the occupants of the carriage were injured. Walter Grate, aged seven years, may die. Edward Lambert was severely cut. Mrs. Duff Grate, Oliver Grate and Holly Frier were badly bruised. The driver of the motor cycle, Lee R. Mann, is under arrest.

ATTENDANCE IS INCREASING.

Jamestown Exposition Officials Feel Encouraged.

Assistant Secretary Edwards of the treasury has returned to his desk after a vacation of several weeks. He has also returned from the Jamestown exposition, where he has been looking after the interests of the commission and the Panama railroad. The attendance at the exposition is picking up fast and that the officials of the enterprise are encouraged with the outlook. It is believed by the officials that the attendance during September, October and November will be very heavy.

Personal Mention.

W. F. Gilmore of Capitol Hill has been called to Portsmouth, Ohio, by the death of his brother, R. L. Gilmore, who was instantly killed in a head-on collision between two railroad trains last Monday morning.

Edward W. Markham, Jay J. Morrow, Joseph F. Barnes, F. H. Farnum, Richard M. Thomas, U. S. A., and E. O. Pritch, Jr., U. S. N., are at the Hotel Bessie, New York city.

NOTICE.

The price of this paper at NEWSSTANDS and from NEWSBOYS is TWO CENTS.

There has been no change of any kind in the price of the paper to newsboys, and readers should pay no more than the printed price.

WELLMAN WANTS WIND

PLENTY BLOWING, BUT THE WRONG DIRECTION.

Special Dispatch to The Star.
CHICAGO, August 28.—A private message just received from Hammerfest, via Tromsø, indicates that the Wellman polar expedition ship, although ready to start, still awaits a favorable wind. The new motor acts excellently. The balloon, which was filled with gas some time ago, lost some of it, but it has now been refilled and holds the gas better.

CULVER BOYS VICTORS

DEFEATED FOURTH-CLASS CUTTER CREWS AT ANNAPOLIS.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., August 28.—In a close and interesting race the two cutter crews of the Culver Naval School of Culver, Ind., defeated the first and second regulation cutter crews of the fourth class of the Naval Academy over a one-mile course off the academy today. But a boat's length separated each craft at the finish.

HEALTH ON THE ISTHMUS.

Conditions Among the Canal Workers Satisfactory.

A cable report upon the state of health upon the isthmus among the canal workers has just been received at the isthmian canal offices here, showing that the conditions were very satisfactory.

Secured a Good Rest in Kansas City.

Journey Westward Resumed.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., August 28.—Secretary of War Taft today resumed his journey westward, departing on the 10:10 o'clock train on the Union Pacific for Denver. The Secretary secured a good rest last night and apparently was none the worse for yesterday's experiences. After breakfast he was driven over the city in an automobile in company with Mayor Beardsley and United States Senator Warner.

More Nationalist Arrests.

Soothing Policy of the Government in Ireland.

LONDON, Ireland, August 28.—Mr. McKenna, the Irish nationalist candidate for election to parliament for South Longford, and seventeen of his supporters were arrested today on charges similar to those on which James P. Farrell, Irish nationalist member for Longford, and forty others were yesterday committed for trial, namely, "participating in an unlawful assembly likely to cause a riot."

The persons taken into custody today

KIDNAPED CHILD FOUND

BROOKLYN SIX-YEAR-OLD SURPRISES ALL BY TURNING UP.

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NEW YORK, August 28.—Michael Callia, the six-year-old son of Giovanni Callia, a Brooklyn barber, living at 17 McDougall street, who was kidnapped July 23 and held for ransom by members of the Black Hand Society, was found at 1 a.m. today on the uptown platform of the elevated station at 65th street and 2d avenue, this city. The lad had been left there by a middle-aged man, looking like an Italian, at 10 o'clock last night. The ticket chopper saw the man and boy pass through at that hour. Three hours later the boy was seen sitting alone on one of the benches of the station and was turned over to the police of the East 67th street station. At the time the boy disappeared his father notified the police, and a general alarm was sent out. About a week later the father received threatening letters from the Black Hand Society demanding \$1,500 for the safe return of his child.

Kept Prisoner by a Woman.

Later, under the questioning of his relatives, the lad told of being taken to a strange house, where a woman kept him prisoner in a room. He was carried up many stairs, he said, by two men whom he never saw before. He could not tell the number of the house or the street, but said it was far, far away from his home. He had been brought across the river at night, he said.

Strathecona Goes Home.

Move Makes Talk in Canadian Official Circles.

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also were committed for trial after Mr. McKenna had protested that the policy of the government did not make for peace and asserted that would cause a revolution in the situation in South Longford, where an election will be held next week to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Edward Blake on account of ill-health.

The speakers at the political meetings are advising the people to drive off the cattle from the grazing lands.

NO MERGER, SAYS THE COURT.

A Decision Vitally Important to Fraternal Benefit Societies.

Special Dispatch to The Star.
CHICAGO, August 28.—A decision vitally important to fraternal benefit societies was handed down by Judge Foster in the municipal court today when he held that no merger or consolidation of such societies can be effected legally in Illinois.

The ruling of the court was upon a demurrer in the case of Edwin F. Smith and Ira J. Bell vs. the Loyal Americans of the Republic.

These are unique corporations," Judge Foster declared, "organized for the sole benefit of their members and beneficiaries and not for profit. A careful reading of the fraternal benefit society act makes it plain, we think, that no consolidation of such corporations was ever contemplated or authorized by the legislature."

Judge Foster pointed out that the age limit of sixty years necessarily invalidates any merger of fraternal societies.

LARNED THE CHAMPION.

Annapolis Man Won Tennis Tourney at Newport.

NEWPORT, R. I., August 28.—William A. Larned of Annapolis, Md., won the finals in the all-comers' tennis tournament at the Casino today, defeating Robert Leroy of New York in straight sets. The scores were 6-2, 6-2, 6-4.

Larned also won the championship title and permanent possession of the association trophy through the default of William J. Clothier of Philadelphia.

The contest today was never in doubt from the start. Leroy, although outclassed and outplayed by the veteran, made a plucky fight, but he could not handle Larned's cannon-ball drives down the side lines or across court.

If Leroy ran to the net he was either passed or lobbed back to the base line, where he was kept running back and forth, until, getting him off his feet, Larned placed him out of the reach.

In his fourteen years on the Casino court Larned was never more brilliant than today, and the spectators applauded his work and cheered him at the finish.

Summary:

Championship singles, final round—W. A. Larned defeated R. Leroy, 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.

Challenge round—W. A. Larned defeated W. J. Clothier by default.

Consolation final round—T. S. Pell defeated J. R. Carpenter, Jr., 6-2, 6-3.

PLAYED HIS LAST ACT.

Carl Presley Commits a Dramatic Suicide.

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WESTER CITY, Iowa, August 28.—In sight of an astonished crowd Carl Presley, an actor, today made a bonfire in the street of \$2,500 in paper money, threw his diamond ring and stud in the sewer and then announced to a group of friends in the Park Hotel lobby that he was going to kill himself. He drew a revolver, went to the street to the city park, and, calling to passersby to watch him die, fired a bullet into his head. He fell dead instantly.

Presley, who was well known, had been drinking heavily for two weeks.

CENTRAL AMERICA'S FUTURE.

President Roosevelt in Accord With President Diaz.

Acting Secretary of State Adee said today that he is now authorized to announce that President Roosevelt and President Diaz are now in entire accord concerning the future of Central America, and the settlement of disputes between the five republics. He said that he hoped to be able to make a statement within twenty-four hours outlining the policy under consideration.

In the light of dispatches from the City of Mexico and discussions between Secretary Adee and Minister Godoy, charge d'affaires of the Mexican embassy in Washington, Mr. Adee is taken to mean, that the United States and Mexico have formulated a joint note to the Central American republics inviting them to hold a conference with a view to agreeing upon a treaty insuring permanent peace. Whether that note has been dispatched to the republics or not is not known, but the impression is that the republics have expressed a readiness to enter such a conference.

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"I have two homes," said Lord Strathcona before sailing, "one in England and one in Canada. I keep my London house open at all times and you might say that I am going home."

Lord Strathcona is reaching the four-score mark in age, but is yet vigorous, and would not say that there is any talk of his retirement.

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Weather.

Partly cloudy and slightly warmer tonight. Tomorrow fair.

WIRES ARE GROUNDED

Telegraph Companies Suffering

All Sorts of Annoyance.

BLAME STRIKING OPERATORS

Also Suspect Railroad Telegraphers of Interference.

HAVE DETECTIVES ON GUARD

Plans of the Executive Board to Finance the Strike for Six Months.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

CHICAGO, August 28.—Railroad telegraph operators, who, out of sympathy with the striking commercial men, are said to be causing trouble on the wires, are threatened with criminal prosecution by officials of telegraph companies. The Western Union company, which is the greatest sufferer in this respect, has been secretly conducting an investigation and a number of arrests are expected at any time. While the Western Union company was preparing to protect its interests the federal government met with direct interference in the transaction of its business and found it necessary to detail troops to patrol a line over which it desired to send messages.

Wires leading from Lacarne to Camp Perry, Ohio, were tapped at 10 o'clock Monday night and an operator who broke in, scored the camp's key men who were sending out messages for the government.

Later the wires became useless and it was found by investigating parties that they had been looped and grounded. Messages of importance could not be sent out from camp. The detail of soldiers selected to patrol the line had instructions to arrest any one found tampering with the lines, and all suspects will be turned over to the civil authorities to be prosecuted under the criminal code.

Much Wire Trouble.

Superintendent J. F. Cook of the Western Union company declared today that a detective would be placed in every office in the country, if the interference with the wires assumed such proportions as to make the course necessary. The Western Union controls the wires on practically every railroad in the country, and its commercial business, in many instances, goes through the railroad offices.

Since the beginning of the strike it is said that the telegraph companies have more inconvenience than has the lack of operators. At the union headquarters the strikers disclaimed responsibility for the trouble.

The wires of the Postal company do not run along railroads, except on the Santa Fe and the Pennsylvania lines, and the former company, the telegraphers are not organized. Supt. Capen of the Postal company says he is not having any trouble with the wires.

Strike Finances.

Plans were made today by the general executive board of the striking telegraphers to finance their strike upon a basis of six months' duration. President John J. Fitzpatrick of the Chicago Federation of Labor was called before the general executive board and asked to assist in arranging a campaign of speakers to be sent out to the country to collect funds from labor organizations. The amount required to meet the demands upon the strike fund is \$100,000 a week.

On a six months' basis a fund of \$2,000,000 will be required. Merchants in various lines of business today are recruiting petitions to President Roosevelt, asking that the President renew his efforts to have the differences between the Western Union and the telegraphers settled at once. The general complaint is made in the petitions that continued great losses to the merchant from the interrupted telegraphic service.

Still Paying Double Wages.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

NEW YORK, August 28.—General Superintendent Belvidere Brooks of the eastern division of the Western Union company said today that according to the company's official report from all points in his division there are on strike only 1,270 men out of a total of 7,105.

East of Pittsburgh and Buffalo and north of Washington and is about 18 per cent of the regular working force. Mr. Brooks said all these men went out originally, and that the strikers' numbers had not been augmented since the strike began.